

gagaku

dance demon  
with knife in your mouth  
blue hair pointed ears  
long orange black white dark green  
robe

dance in your white sandals  
you hold a stick in your right hand  
behind you is solid light gray

you balance on your right foot  
I am happy to see you  
    I am happy  
to see anything

dance with your left palm cupped over your stomach  
careful with that knife in your  
    mouth

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it is lautrémont's book  
I read it once and  
                only once  
I'd swear  
    it was written  
        by the  
                devil

I've picked it up  
    since  
        and can read only several  
                words before  
                having to  
                put it down

I won't be able to read  
                it again

but that once  
    I was glued  
        to the  
            line

chants of maldoror